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process to be bringing in an A bill to catch up with it, but I think it is appropriate that we do so. LB 229 is a bill that on a decision that was made last year to allow concurrent jurisdiction between the district courts and the county courts in some domestic relations cases. When the bill was passed last year, arguably there should have been an A bill attached to it because it was going to require some extra training of the clerks of the district...clerks of the county court about the processes and procedures that would be followed in handling of the domestic relations cases. Those cases, for example, if they result in an order for support, if they result in an order for alimony, if they result in an order for division property, those orders can become liens and then would be enforceable by...through the processes of district However, the clerks of the county court are not used to dealing There are processes and procedures for with those processes. transfer of liens from the county court to the district court, but they're usually incumbent upon the plaintiffs or the winners in the case to institute those processes. Nothing happens automatically. We're contemplating a process where that is not appropriate. So the A bill is to allow the courts to train the clerks of the county court in the special processes and procedures that will be necessary if they are to handle, in that court, a domestic relations case. And again I say, arguably there should have been an A bill last year when we agreed to do This year we're delaying the effective date of that change to January 1 of next year. If the A bill is passed, it will give the court time to train the clerks of the district court prior to January 1 of next year when the actual sections allowing for concurrent jurisdiction would go into effect. I...if you have any questions, I'll attempt to respond to them. but it really is just an A bill for training of clerks of the county court, those are all state employees, in the special processes and procedures that they would have to use in handling a domestic relations case, if it was filed in their court.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wickersham, there are no lights on. Do you have closing? Closing is waived. The question is, shall LB 229A be advanced? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 mays on the advancement of LB 229A.